

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS BEFORE THE LEWIS COUNTY PLANNING
COMMISSION AND BOARD
OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND INTENT TO ADOPT
PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE LEWIS COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN
LAND USE MAPS, AND TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 1238, AMENDING THE LEWIS
COUNTY OFFICIAL ZONING MAP AND TEXT UNDER RCW 36.70A**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON, PLANNING COMMISSION will a hold public hearing on May 22, 2012, starting at or after 7:00 p.m, and the LEWIS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS will also hold a public hearing on June 4, 2012 at or after 10:00 a.m.; both hearings being for the purpose of taking testimony on the adoption of proposed amendments to the Lewis County Comprehensive Plan Land Use Map related to Forest Resource Mapping Inconsistencies and Ordinance 1238.

The proposed Ordinance No. 1238 amends the Official Zoning Map to reflect the 1996-97 classification as Forest Resource Land of Local Importance (FRLLI) of parcels erroneously classified on the Zoning Map as Forest Resource Lands of Long Term Commercial Significance (FRLTCS), and adds designated Forest Resource Lands previously omitted on the Official Zoning Map.

The comprehensive plan amendments correct the Lewis County Comprehensive Plan Land Use maps to reflect Forest Resource Land designations without distinguishing between the two classifications of Forest Resource Land, FRLTCS and FRLLI, and adds a new definition of “contiguous” to LCC Chapter 17.30 Resource Lands. The definition will read “Contiguous” for purposes of this Chapter means land adjoining or touching by common corner or otherwise. Land divided by improved public rights-of-way or railroad rights-of-way or bodies of water subject to the Shoreline Management Act shall not be considered to be contiguous.

Both public hearings will be held at the historic Lewis County Courthouse, Commissioners’ Hearing Room located on the second floor, 351 NW North Street, Chehalis, WA 98532. Public written and oral testimony may be presented to the Planning Commission at the he during the public testimony portion of the hearings on the proposed amendments. Anyone interested in testifying should attend.

Final action on these matters will be taken by the Board on June 4, 2012, at the above noted location following the hearings and a work session. All persons interested in any or all proposed changes to the comprehensive plan and implementing development regulations should attend and provide testimony. The Board may act on all, or portions of matters being considered, including recommendations of the Planning Commission and/or options that may not have been recommended by the Planning Commission. The Board may choose to consolidate the two hearings into one hearing.

A complete copy of all of the proposed amendments being considered by the BOCC will be available for review at the following locations:

- The Lewis County website: www.lewiscountywa.gov.
- Paper copies of the proposed amendments may be viewed at the Department of Community Development, Permit Center, located at 2025 NE Kresky Avenue in Chehalis during business hours and at the Timberland Regional Libraries located in Chehalis, Centralia, Salkum, Randle, Packwood and Winlock; and at Lewis County Senior Centers located in Morton, Toledo, Twin Cities (Chehalis), Packwood and Winlock, in accordance with Lewis County Code Chapter 17.12.

For more information, contact:

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The meeting sites are barrier free; people needing special assistance or accommodations should contact Community Development 72 hours in advance of the meeting. Phone (360) 740-1146.

/s/ Karri Muir, Clerk of the Board. Publish in and *East County Journal* on or before May 9, 2012 and in the *Chronicle*.